



QCWA HOT LINE REPORT

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HEADQUARTERS IS ATTEMPTING TO PREPARE A LIST OF ALL CHAPTERS HAVING A PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS...AND NOT MANY HAVE IT. WE WOULD LIKE TO PUBLISH ONE SHEET OF PAPER, TO BE GIVEN TO ALL NEW MEMBERS, LISTING ALL ACTIVE CHAPTERS OF QCWA....IN THAT WAY THEY COULD BECOME AFFILIATED WITH THE CHAPTER NEAREST TO THEM. THE DIFFICULTY IS THAT WITH THE CHANGE IN CHAPTER OFFICERS, THE MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES. PLEASE TALK AMONG YOURSELVES, LET'S SEE IF THERE ISN'T AN EASY ANSWER AS TO HOW THIS MIGHT BE DONE. THE BEST SOLUTION WOULD BE A PO BOX, BUT THESE DO COST MONEY! THE NEED FOR SUCH A LIST IS OBVIOUS....THE PROBLEM IS, HOW TO DO IT BEST!

WITH THE NEW YEAR, 1981, MANY MEMBERS BECAME ELIGIBLE FOR THEIR GOLDEN CERTIFICATES. THE REQUESTS HAVE BEEN COMING IN LIKE RAIN-DROPS. WE'RE ABOUT ON TOP OF IT AT THIS TIME!

PRESIDENT HARRY GARTSMAN, W6ATC, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE SPRING MEETING OF THE QCWA OFFICERS AND BOARD WILL BE HELD IN IRVING, TEXAS ON MAY 16, 1981. ACTUALLY, ALL WILL ARRIVE IN THE DALLAS AREA ON FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 15, AND AN INFORMAL MEETING WILL BE HELD THAT EVENING. THE BOARD WILL MEET IN ITS BUSINESS SESSIONS DURING SATURDAY, AS REQUIRED.

AT ITS NOVEMBER, 1980 MEETING, THE BOARD REQUESTED THAT THE GENERAL MANAGER SET UP A SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR AN ANNUAL ROSTER OF MEMBERS. THESE WOULD BE PRINTED EACH YEAR AND WOULD BE SOLD TO MEMBERS DESIRING THEM, BUT WITH THE CHARGES PAID IN ADVANCE. (NOTE: THE REGULAR TRIANNUAL ROSTER WILL CONTINUE TO BE FURNISHED TO ALL MEMBERS AT NO ADDED COST-- ON THE YEAR THE TRIANNUAL ROSTER IS PUBLISHED THE SUPPLEMENTAL ANNUAL EDITION WOULD NOT BE PRINTED)...WE HAVE ATTEMPTED TO GET PRICES FOR A ROSTER. WE HAVE AT PRESENT ABOUT 9100 MEMBERS IN QCWA, AND IT IS POSSIBLE TO GET ABOUT 75 NAMES ON A PAGE BEFORE THEY BECOME SO SMALL YOU CAN'T READ THEM. THIS TRANSLATES TO ABOUT 125 PAGES THE FIRST ESTIMATE OF COST SHOWS AS FOLLOWS:

If 500 PURCHASE THE ROSTER	COST WILL BE \$5.95
If 1000 PURCHASE THE ROSTER	COST WILL BE \$3.90
IF 2500 PURCHASE THE ROSTER	COST WILL BE \$2.60

We will continue to attempt to get a better price...let us know your reaction, and approximately how many you think might be interested.

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THE GENERAL MANAGER WAS CAUGHT TRYING TO CIRCUMVENT THE BY-LAWS OF QCWA...NOT REALLY, BUT AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, A SCHEDULE FOR GETTING MATERIAL FROM CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE WAS PREPARED AND HAS BEEN PUBLISHED...THE DEADLINE WAS SET FOR RECEIVING MATERIAL FROM CANDIDATES - THE DEADLINE WAS A PRACTICAL MATTER, SINCE IT WAS MADE TO BE CONSISTANT WITH REGULAR DEADLINE FOR PUBLICATION OF QCWA NEWS....IT WAS SET AT FEBRUARY 20, 1981....WELL, AS ALWAYS, WHEN ONE TRIES TO DO SOMETHING CROOKED, HE GETS CAUGHT. THE BY-LAWS STATE THAT CANDIDATES HAVE UNTIL MARCH 1, 1981 TO GET THEIR MATERIAL TO THE CORPORATE SECRETARY - SHE MUST VALIDATE ALL CANDIDATES, DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY AND THEN FURNISH THE MATERIAL TO HEADQUARTERS FOR PUBLICATION. AS A CONSEQUENCE, WE ARE MOVING THE PUBLICATION TIME OF QCWA NEWS AHEAD FROM THE NORMAL MARCH 1, TO MARCH 20, 1981. APOLOGIES ARE OFFERED TO ALL TO WHOM WE HAVE UNWITTINGLY PUT HARDSHIP.

IN CONNECTION WITH CERTIFICATES---WE HAVE THE REAL PROBLEM OF DEALING WITH MEMBERS REQUESTS WHO DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE RULES THAT HAVE BEEN SET UP BEFORE CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED. IN MOST CASES NO PROBLEMS ARE MET, BUT OCCASIONALLY WE RECEIVE A REQUEST FOR A CERTIFICATE WHEREIN THE APPLICANT DOES NOT FURNISH PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY. THE RULES ARE QUITE SIMPLE, AND ARE BROAD ENOUGH TO ALLOW ONE CONSIDERABLE LATITUDE IN PROVIDING PROOF.... HOWEVER, EVEN SO, WE RECEIVE SEVERAL REQUESTS EACH MONTH IN WHICH NO PROOF IS SENT (THAT IS ACCEPTABLE) AND QUITE OFTEN A STATEMENT SOMETHING LIKE "ASK PETE SMITH, HE'LL TELL YOU I WAS A LICENSED HAM IN 1919." WELL, WE DON'T KNOW PETER SMITH, AND HAVEN'T THE VAGUEST NOTION OF HOW TO FIND HIM...IT IS ALWAYS BEST TO ASK HEADQUARTERS FOR AN OPINION ON ELIGIBILITY BEFORE SENDING AN APPLICATION OR MONEY....INCIDENTALLY, THE APPLICATIONS ARE ALL FILED PERMANENTLY, AS ARCHIVE MATERIAL, THAT'S WHY WE WANT THEM. ALL CERTIFICATES WILL HONOR THE PREVIOUS...I.E., IF YOU HAVE A GOLDEN 50, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE 55 IN 5 YEARS WITHOUT ANY FURTHER PROOF. NOT ALL RECORDS ARE COMPLETE, SO IF YOU HAVE YOUR CERTIFICATE NUMBER, AND DATE OF ISSUE, PLEASE INCLUDE IT.

PRESIDENT HARRY GARTSMAN HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HIS INTERPRETATION OF THE MAIL VOTE BY BOARD MEMBERS, IN RESPONSE TO HIS LETTER OF AUGUST 11, 1980, REGARDING RELEASING OF THE QCWA MAILING LABELS TO CANDIDATES DULY NOMINATED, IS THAT SUCH USE OF THE LABELS IS VALID. THE BOARD MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR OF THIS PROGRAM. THERE WAS SOME CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO THE POSSIBILITY THAT MAILING COULD BE DONE UNDER THE NON-PROFIT FRANCHISE...THIS WAS LATER DETERMINED TO BE IMPRACTICAL AND WAS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSIDERATION. MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN NOMINATED AND WHO MAY WISH TO MAKE MAILING OF MATERIAL DEALING STRICTLY WITH THE ELECTION WILL BE ABLE TO GET MAILING LABELS FROM HEADQUARTERS. THE SPRING QCWA NEWS WILL CARRY A FULL STORY INCLUDING SUGGESTIONS AND COSTS.

HEADQUARTERS WILL PROVIDE ENVELOPES DULY STAMPED WITH THE ADDRESS OF EACH CHAPTERS SECRETARY TO ALL NOMINATED CANDIDATES. THE ADDRESSED ENVELOPES, WITHOUT STAMPS, WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ACTIVE CHAPTERS AT A COST OF \$0.10 EACH (THERE ARE ABOUT 90 TO 100 CHAPTERS FOR WHICH WE HAVE PLATES MADE.

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LEO MEYERSON, WØGFQ, WHO HEADS THE COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS FOR QCWA WAS HAPPILY SURPRISED WHEN HE RECEIVED WORD OF THE WONDERFUL GIFT TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND GIVEN BY DAVID AND MRS. HANNAH, W6NBJ! THE GIFT WAS FORWARDED TO HEADQUARTERS BY SI MORRISON, W6OSD, SECRETARY OF THE SAN DIEGO CHAPTER AND WAS FOR \$1000! AT THIS TIME THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND IS AT ABOUT \$5000. A WONDERFUL GIFT AND A GREAT WAY TO GET STARTED IN 1981...LEO IS WORKING ALL OUT TO GET A PROGRAM UNDERWAY WHICH WE HOPE WILL HELP MAKE THE FUND TRULY A SELF-SUSTAINING PERPETUAL MEMORIAL TO ALL QCWA MEMBERS. A STORY WILL BE PRINTED IN THE SPRING QCWA NEWS.

IN ORDER TO GIVE EVERYONE AN IDEA AS TO HOW THE QCWA MEMBERSHIP IS DISTRIBUTED WE HAVE PREPARED AN APPROXIMATE LISTING OF MEMBERS BY STATES. THE LIST WAS APPROXIMATELY CORRECT AND MADE FROM THE DECEMBER 10, 1980 COMPUTER PRINT-OUT. PRINTED BELOW, YOU CAN DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN EACH STATE AND THE RANGE OF ZIP CODES FOR THE STATES (NOTE, THE ZIP CODES ARE THOSE ACTUALLY LISTED IN OUR ROSTER AND MAY NOT INCLUDE ALL ZIP CODES IN EACH STATE).

THE TOP STATES FOR QCWA MEMBERS ARE:

CALIFORNIA	1087
FLORIDA	907
TEXAS	640

STATE	MEMBERS	ZIP	STATE	MEMBERS	ZIP	STATE	MEMBERS	ZIP
PR	7	00648-00926	VI	6	00801-00820	MA	171	01001-02780
RI	24	02806-02917	NH	45	03036-03887	ME	40	03903-04921
VT	9	05046-05862	CT	105	06002-06906	NJ	322	07003-08904
NY	595	09019-14905	PA	354	15001-19610	DE	17	19707-19977
DC-MD	207	20007-21856	VA	174	22003-24594	WV	45	24701-26757
NC	145	27010-28816	SC	101	29006-29928	GA	77	30002-31906
FL	907	32014-34039	AL	74	35005-36867	TN	170	37013-38358
MS	50	38647-39756	KY	22	40206-42501	OH	472	43020-45891
IN	78	46032-47977	MI	246	48002-49920	IA	58	50010-52806
WI	144	53005-54979	MN	121	55016-56750	SD	10	57001-57745
ND	19	58041-58701	MT	35	59044-59937	IL	261	60004-62863
MO	74	63011-65804	KS	97	66032-67871	NE	87	68005-69361
LA	140	70005-71449	AR	59	71901-72959	OK	102	73008-74820
TX	640	75001-79993	CO	120	80003-81650	WY	6	82001-82801
ID	45	83401-83870	UT	9	84070-84737	AZ	173	85013-86441
NM	68	87068-88351	NV	35	89005-89701	CA	1087	90001-96303
HI	16	96704-96825	OR	182	97005-97883	WA	438	98002-99403
AK	31	-						

Canada had 255 members in good standing.

HEADQUARTERS IS IN SORE NEED OF A DECEMBER, 1957 CALLBOOK. IF YOU HAVE ONE YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE, OR TO SELL TO US, PLEASE SEND IT! WE'RE PRETTY HARD UP FOR IT!

ANY CALLBOOKS THAT YOU MAY HAVE WILL BE WELCOME. IF WE GET A FEW DUPLICATES THERE'S NO PROBLEM...WE WEAR THEM OUT! LET US KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE.

DON'T FORGET....ONE PHASE OF THE QCWA DRIVE FOR SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS IS ALREADY IN PROGRESS....IF YOU CAN, WHY NOT GIVE \$1.00 FOR EACH YEAR YOU'VE BEEN A HAM. IT ISN'T A GREAT DEAL, BUT IF A LOT OF MEMBERS PARTICIPATE, WE'LL SOON HAVE A SOLID SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT. REMEMBER TOO, ALL MONEY GOES IN THE FUND AND STAYS THERE....A PERMANENT MEMORIAL TO YOU AND TO OUR SILENT KEYS....ONLY THE INTEREST FROM THE FUND WILL BE SPENT TO HELP OUR YOUNGSTERS GET THAT NEEDED EDUCATION.

TO HELP OUT A BIT, WES RANGLES, W4COW, HAS PROMISED TO MAKE A DESK CALL-LETTER PLAQUE FOR EACH ONE WHO GIVES A BUCK FOR EACH YEAR AS A HAM....WES MAKES 'EM OUT OF WOOD...THEY ARE NEET AND GOOD LOOKING....LET'S GIVE HIM A WORK-OUT, MAYBE MAKE HIM BACK-WATER A BIT. SEND YOUR GIFT TO HEADQUARTERS, WE'LL NOTIFY WES OF THE WORK THAT'S CUT OUT FOR HIM!

73 LEO, WØGFO

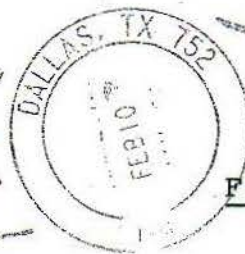
BEGINNING MARCH 1, 1981, THE COST OF THE HLR REPORT (NEW OR RENEWAL) WILL HAVE TO BE RAISED TO \$4.50 TO KEEP UP WITH THE INCREASED COSTS OF PRODUCING AND MAILING.

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